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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEApplicants: **Mark J.R. LEBLANS, et al.**Serial No.: **09/521,618** Art Unit: **2878**Filed : **March 8, 2000** Examiner: **Eric J. SPEARS**For : **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING AUTOFOCUSING  
IN A MICROSCOPE****Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Total Claims For Fee Purposes	5	minus	52	0	x 18.00	\$0
Independent Claims	4	minus	6	0	x 78	\$0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) First presented with this amendment, if applicable.					+ 260	\$0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						\$0

In the event of any non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit **Deposit Account No. 10-0750/TIP0017/US/JJiT** in the name of Johnson & Johnson as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,



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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

**Art Unit 2878**

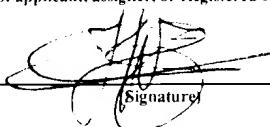
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 1, 2002 (hereinafter the "Final Office Action"), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel without prejudice Claims 1-4, 7-20, 22-37 and 45-50.

Please amend Claims 5, 6, 21, 51, and 52, so that the following is a clean version of the pending claims:

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